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### **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

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ROTHKRANZ; DANIEL SOLDINI; CHARLES
WALKER; VERNA WALKER; JACK
YENCHECK; OFELIA YENCHEK, all
individual and as Plaintiff Class Representatives,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

AL PHILLIPS THE CLEANER, INC., a Nevada corporation; DCI USA, INC., a Nevada corporation, MARYLAND SQUARE, LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability Company; MARYLAND SQUARÉ SHOPPING CENTER LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, a Nevada Limited Liability Company; DOES I through X; and ROE corporations XI through XX,

Defendants.

Case No: 2:08-CV-01618-RCJ (GWF)

**DEFENDANTS, MARYLAND SQUARE** SHOPPING CENTER, LLC, THE HERMAN KISHNER TRUST, DBA MARYLAND SQUARE SHOPPING CENTER, IRWIN KISHNER, JERRY ENGEL, BANK OF AMERICA, AS TRUSTEES FOR THE HERMAN KISHNER TRUST, MARYLAND SQUARE, LLC AND CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT'S STATEMENT OF DISPUTED AND UNDISPUTED **FACTS IN SUPPORT OF OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT** 

Defendants, Maryland Square Shopping Center, LLC, the Herman Kishner Trust, dba
Maryland Square Shopping Center, Irwin Kishner, Jerry Engel, Bank of America, as Trustees for
The Herman Kishner Trust, Maryland Square, LLC and Clark County School District
(hereinafter collectively "Maryland Square"), respectfully submit this Statement of Disputed and
Undisputed Facts in Support of Opposition to Motion for Summary Judgment.

PLAINTIFFS' CONTENTIONS REGARDING MATERIAL FACTS	MARYLAND SQUARE DEFENDANTS' RESPONSE
1. Maryland Square Shopping Center is located at 3651 through 3681 South Maryland Parkway in Las Vegas, Nevada. <b>Kishner FAC 2:20-22</b>	Admit
2. Defendant Herman Kishner, doing business as Maryland Square Shopping Center, was the owner of the shopping center in 1968. <b>Kishner FAC 2:14-22;</b> 3:22-25.	Admit
3. The Herman Kishner Trust, created in 1969 by defendant Herman Kishner, is the successor-in-interest to defendant Herman Kishner with respect to the Shopping Center. <b>Kishner FAC 2:14-22; 5:4-8</b>	Admit
4. Defendant Maryland Square Shopping Center Limited Liability Company is a limited liability company organized under the laws of Nevada and the successor-in-interest to the Herman Kishner Trust with respect to the Shopping Center. <b>Kishner FAC 2:18-</b> 22; 5:5-8	Admit
5. In 2002, Clark County School District purchased the Shopping Center from defendant Maryland Square Shopping Center Limited Liability Company. <b>Kishner FAC 6:8-12</b>	Admit

Philips the Cleaner, Inc." business from SBIC. Kishner FAC 4:13-19; Cross-Complaint of DCI 12:15-18 and 13:25-27.  13. DCI leased the Site until 2003. Kishner FAC 4:13-19; Cross-	Admit
12. In 1984, Johnson Group, Inc., the predecessor of DCI USA, Inc. (collectively "DCI"), purchased the "Al	Admit
11. SBIC also released PCE into the ground at the Site. SBIC's Responses to Plaintiff Peter J. Voggenthaler's Interrogatories, Response Nos. 5	Deny. The nature and extent to which SBIC released PCE into the ground and whether such release is at all connected to the PCE in the plume is denied. Any resolution of the material disputed facts requires the completion of Tetra Tech's on-going investigation. (See Exs. G and I)
10. SBIC used PCE in its dry cleaning operations. SBIC's Responses to Plaintiffs' Interrogatories, Response Nos. 1, 3, 4, and 5	Admit.
9. SBIC leased the Site from the owner. Kishner FAC 3:3-9, 3:22-4:2, 4:11-14	Admit
8. From approximately 1968 through 1984, SBIC operated a dry cleaning facility at the Shopping Center, at 3661 South Maryland Parkway ("the Site"). Third Party Claim of Shapiro Bros. Investment Corp. 5:7-9	Admit
7. Shapiro Bros. Investment Co. ("SBIC") is a dissolved Nevada corporation. Answer and Cross-Claim of SBIC 18:5-6	Admit
6. In 2005, defendant Maryland Square, LLC purchased the Shopping Center from Clark County School District and is the current owner of the Shopping Center. Maryland Square, LLC's Answer 3:3-4	Admit

1 2 3	14. DCI operated the dry cleaning facility at the Site until approximately 2000. DCI Cross-Complaint 12:15-23 and 13:28 – 14:6	Admit
4	15. DCI used PCE in its dry cleaning operations. <b>Kishner FAC 5:18-20</b>	Deny. A determination of the nature and extent to which SBIC released PCE into the ground and whether such release is at all connected to the PCE in the plume, which is denied, is
5 6		pending the outcome of Tetra Tech's on-going investigation. (See Exs. G and I)
7 8	16. DCI also released PCE into the ground at the Site. <b>Kishner FAC 5:20- 26</b>	Deny. A determination of the nature and extent to which DCI released PCE into the ground and whether such release is at all connected to the
9 10 11		PCE in the plume, which is denied, is pending the outcome of Tetra Tech's on-going investigation. Further investigation regarding the impact of the 300 gallon PCE release at the Dr. Clean facility is also necessary. (See Exs. G, H and I)
12	17. In approximately November 2000, the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection ("NDEP") was notified of	Maryland Square Defendants cannot admit or deny the allegation because the reference to the "site" is undefined. The nature and extent and
13 14	PCE contamination of the Site. Kishner FAC 5:10-12; NDEP Complaint 5:16-17	origin of PCE into the ground and whether such PCE is in anyway connected to Maryland Square is denied, and the subject of an on-going
15		investigation. (See Exs. G and I)
16 17	18. NDEP deems PCE to be a hazardous substance. <b>NDEP Complaint</b> 5:2-5	Deny as a matter of law. The NDEP set acceptable limits for PCE exposure. (See Exs. B, E, F and G)
18	19. Through oversight of NDEP, the Maryland Square defendants have conducted an investigation of the Site.	Deny. The investigation in this matter is not complete. Review and assessment of disputed facts concerning liability and causation is on-
19	Kishner FAC 5:10-12; NDEP Complaint 5:18-21.	going, the purpose for which is to determine whether Dr. Clean, Boulevard Mall or other
20 21		third parties caused, in whole, or in part, the subject PCE plume. Further investigation
22		regarding the impact of the 300 gallon PCE release at the Dr. Clean facility is also necessary. (See Exs. G, H and I)
23	20. This investigation has revealed the	Deny. The investigation in this matter is not
24	groundwater in and around the Site.	complete. Review and assessment of disputed facts concerning liability and causation is on-
25	Krasnoff Decl. ¶ 8; Kishner FAC 5:14-17; NDEP Complaint 5:18-21	going, the purpose for which is to determine whether Dr. Clean, Boulevard Mall or other third parties caused, in whole, or in part, the
26		subject PCE plume. Further, additional review of the large quantity of petroleum products
27		removed form MW 11 remains necessary. ( <u>See</u> Exs. G and I)
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1	21. This investigation has also revealed a plume of groundwater containing PCE	Deny. The investigation in this matter is not complete. Review and assessment of disputed
2	emanating from the Site ("the Plume").  Krasnoff Decl. ¶9; Kishner FAC 5:16-	facts concerning liability and causation is ongoing, the purpose for which is to determine
3	17; NDEP Complaint 5:18-21	whether Dr. Clean, Boulevard Mall or other third parties caused, in whole, or in part, the subject PCE plume. Further, additional review
5		of the large quantity of petroleum products removed form MW 11 remains necessary. (See
6	22. The Plume has extended eastward	Exs. G and I)  Deny. The investigation in this matter is not
7	into a residential neighborhood ("the Neighborhood"). <b>Krasnoff Decl.</b> ¶¶9,	complete. Review and assessment of disputed facts concerning liability and causation is on-
8	12; NDEP Complaint at 5:22-25; NDEP correspondence, dated June 19, 2007, at p. 1; NDEP correspondence,	going, the purpose for which is to determine whether Dr. Clean, Boulevard Mall or other third parties caused, in whole, or in part, the
9 10	dated Aug 28, 2008, at p. 2.	subject PCE plume. Further, additional review of the large quantity of petroleum products removed form MW 11 remains necessary. (See
11		Exs. G and I)
12	23. The Plume has volatized into soil gas beneath the Neighborhood, thereby presenting a threat to the indoor air of	Deny. The investigation in this matter is not complete. Review and assessment of disputed facts concerning liability and causation is on-
13	the residents of the Neighborhood.  Krasnoff Decl. ¶ 11; NDEP Complaint	going, the purpose for which is to determine whether Dr. Clean, Boulevard Mall or other
14	5:26-6:3; NDEP correspondence, dated Aug 28, 2008, at p. 2.	third parties caused, in whole, or in part, the subject PCE plume. (See Exs. G and I)
15		The Maryland Square Defendants dispute the
16		testing methodology used by the NDEP to determine the presence of soil gas. (See Ex. G.)
17 18		Deny. The maximum level appears to be under Boulevard Mall. (See Exs. F and G)
		Review and assessment of disputed facts
19	24. The PCE concentration in the Plume beneath the Neighborhood is above the	concerning liability and causation is on-going, the purpose for which is to determine whether
20	maximum contaminant level for PCE.	Dr. Clean, Boulevard Mall or other third parties caused, in whole, or in part, the subject PCE
21	Krasnoff Decl. ¶ 10; NDEP Complaint 5:22-25 and 6:24-26.	plume. Further investigation regarding the impact of the 300 gallon PCE release at the Dr.
22		Clean facility is also necessary. (See Exs. G, H
23		and I)
24		Deny. The investigation in this matter is not complete. Review and assessment of disputed
25	25. Plaintiffs' residential properties are located within the Neighborhood that is	facts concerning liability and causation is ongoing, the purpose for which is to determine
26	threatened by the Plume. <b>Krasnoff Decl.</b> ¶ 13; Plaintiffs' Complaint 3:24-6:6.	whether Dr. Clean, Boulevard Mall or other third parties caused, in whole, or in part, the
27	,	subject PCE plume.
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	The Maryland Square Defendants dispute the testing methodology used by the NDEP to determine the presence of soil gas. See Ex. G.
26. On May 4, 2009, NDEP filed a complaint against the Maryland Square defendants for cost recovery under 42 U.S.C. § 9607 due to PCE contamination at the Site. NDEP Complaint.	Admit.
27. On April 30, 2009, the Office of the Attorney General for the State of Nevada sent notice of its intent to commence a civil action under 42 U.S.C. § 6972 against Maryland Square Shopping Center Limited Liability Company and Maryland Square, LLC for PCE contamination related to the Site. RCRA Notice	Admit.
28. Plaintiffs filed a Complaint on November 11, 2008. <b>Complaint</b>	Admit.
29. The complaint stated a sole cause of action for injunctive relief under RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6972(a)(1)(B). <b>Complaint</b>	Admit.
30. Plaintiffs served notice of this RCRA action more than 90-days prior to the filing of the complaint. RCRA Notice, dated March 19, 2008; RCRA Notice, dated April 2, 2008.	Admit.

# **DISPUTED MATERIAL FACTS**

DISPUTED FACT	SUPPORTING EVIDENCE
1. The Maryland Square Defendants caused or contributed to the PCE in the subject plume.	See Ex. G.
2. A PCE spill in 1993 at the Dr. Clean facility at Maryland Parkway contributed to the alleged PCE contamination.	See Exs. G, H and I.
4. Operations of a dry cleaner, automotive repair facilities or other entities on the Boulevard Mall property contributed to the alleged PCE contamination as evidenced by the quantity of petroleum found in MW 11.	See Exs. G and I.

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5. There is an imminent threat to health arising from the alleged PCE contamination.	See Exs. G and I.
6. There is an imminent threat to the environment arising from the alleged PCE contamination	See Ex. G.

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